

State of New Hampshire DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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November 15, 2002

LETTER OF DEFICIENCY# WSEB 02-168Certified Mail #7099 3400 0003 0691 0058

Mike Hall Exeter Hospital 10 Buzel Avenue Exeter, NH 03833

Subject: Exeter - Public Water System: Exeter Hospital (EPA #0804020)

Dear Mr. Hall:

The records of the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) show that the Exeter Hospital water system is classified as a public water system (PWS), as defined by RSA 485:1-a. A PWS is defined as any water system supplying 15 or more services, or 25 or more people for 60 or more days per year. As such, the water system owner is required to submit chemical samples according to the system's established sampling schedule to the State laboratory or a State-certified laboratory in compliance with NH Administrative Rule Env-Ws 326.

DES records show that the subject water system failed to submit the following chemical sample results for the following monitoring period (calendar quarter).

Quarter 2 – 2002 – Inorganic Chemicals (IOC)

As a result of the failure to submit the above-described sample, a Notice of Violation (NOV), dated **August 15, 2002**, was sent to you. The NOV requested that you immediately submit the above-described sample as a <u>make-up sample</u>. To date, DES has not received the make-up sample results, thus placing the water system in violation of Env-Ws 326.

DES believes the monitoring/reporting deficiency can be addressed by taking the following action:

By November 25, 2002, submit the IOC "make-up sample" to the State laboratory or a State-certified laboratory. Please use the enclosed analysis result form when submitting the sample to your laboratory.

Pursuant to Env-Ws 351, the failure to submit the Quarter 2-2002 IOC sample required you to perform public notice of the monitoring/reporting violation. The **August 15, 2002**, NOV requested that you perform the public notice within 30 days and submit proof of public notice to DES within 10 days of providing public notice. To date, DES has not received proof of public notice, thus placing the water system in violation of Env-Ws 351.

http://www.state.nh.us/des/descover.htm TDD Access: Relay NH 1-800-735-2964

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DES believes the public notice deficiency can be addressed by taking the following actions:

By November 25, 2002, provide public notice of the failure to submit the Quarter 2–2002 IOC sample, as specified on the enclosed form; and

2. By December 3, 2002, provide proof of public notice to DES, as specified on the enclosed form.

In the event compliance is not achieved within this period, DES may take further enforcement action. These actions include issuing an order requiring the deficiencies to be corrected, initiating an administrative fine proceeding, and/or referring the matter to the NH Department of Justice for imposition of appropriate penalties.

The proof of public notice as requested above should be addressed as follows or faxed to (603) 271-5171:

Jeanne D. Lawson
Department of Environmental Services
Water Supply Engineering Bureau
6 Hazen Drive, PO Box 95
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Please contact Jeanne Lawson at (603) 271-6703 or by email at *jlawson@des.state.nh.us*, if you have any questions regarding this letter.



Anthony P. Giunta, P.G., Administrator Water Supply Engineering Bureau

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Enclosure: Analysis Request Form Public Notice Form

cc: Gretchen Rule, DES Legal Unit (w/o encl.)

Kenneth Berkenbush, Town of Exeter Health Officer (w/o encl.)

Shannon Morin, Secondwind Water Systems, Primary Operator (w/encl.)

Food Protection Bureau, DHHS (w/o encl.)

EPA, Region 1 (w/o encl.)